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- 1. WE VERY MUCH APPRECIATE MISSION'S CAREFUL AND CANDID ANALYSIS OF WHERE WE STAND ON PUERTO RICO ISSUE WHEN IT NEXT COMES TO A VOTE IN THE COMMITTEE OF 24. WE WILL REVIEW YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS CAREFULLY AND PREPARE TO UNDERTAKE LOBBYING EFFORTS IN SELECTED C-24 CAPITALS.
- 2. PENDING THE RESULTS OF THAT EFFORT, WE WOULD PREFER NOT TO TIE OURSELVES AT THIS TIME TO PRECISE AND FULL STATEMENT SUCH AS THAT CONTAINED IN PARA 6 REFTEL, ALTHOUGH WE HAVE NO PROBLEM WITH SUBSTANCE OF THAT STATEMENT.

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- 3. INSTEAD WE SUGGEST THAT YOU TELL VRAALSEN THAT THE C-24, IN ADDITION TO THE USUAL PREAMBULAR LANGUAGE, MIGHT CONCLUDE BY DECIDING TO TAKE NOTE OF THE RAPPORTEURS UPDATE OF THE 1974 REPORT AND TO ADJOURN CONSIDERATION OF THIS ITEM.
- 4. YOU MIGHT ADD THAT WE CONTINUE TO APPRECIATE

VRAALSEN'S EFFORTS; THAT WE EXPECT TO PROCEED AS LAST

YEAR WITH HIS COOPERATION; AND THAT WE ASSUME HE WILL CONVEY SUBSTANCE OF PARA 3 ABOVE TO CUBANS.

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